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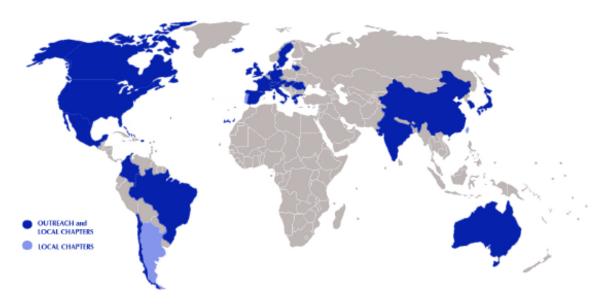
THINGS ARE POPPING!

by Nancy "Scooter" McMoneagle

Greetings, Everyone!

I hope it's as gorgeous wherever you are as it is here at the Institute. In the Northern Hemisphere, springtime is gifting us with renewal. Virginia's dogwoods are blooming exuberantly, along with a multitude of other beautiful trees and brightly colored flowers. Birds are regaling us with their melodic songs... What more could one ask?

I'm happy to report that in addition to nature's gifts, TMI is springing forth in a number of new directions. Things are popping! We are delighted with the addition of 14 new Outreach facilitators, an extraordinarily successful Lucid Dreaming Intensive program, the revitalization of our research efforts with a SAM research project at Northwestern University, a newly renovated bookstore, and a fun new SAM-driven CD featuring cheery bird songs I recorded here early last May.



Welcome to our new Outreach facilitators, who recently completed the Facilitator Training Program (FTP), expertly led by Andrea Berger and Beth Vaughn! This lively group will offer Excursion workshops in seven countries (Chile, China, France, Italy, Mexico, Romania and the UK) and five U.S. States (OK, NM, NV, TX and VA). This brings our Outreach trainer body to 130 people in 30 countries!

We're also excited about the current redesign of TMI's website, which will make the site more user-friendly, attractive, and functional, as well as the rewiring of the Nancy Penn Center

(NPC) to provide a better audio experience and eventual biometric data feedback within each CHEC unit.

On the less fun side, we were without water throughout the Nancy Penn Center and office buildings at the end of last week due to major problems with our circa 1959 water tank. Thankfully, the Lifeline program was in full swing up at the Roberts Mountain Retreat (RMR) center rather than down at NPC. The old water tank has been patched together enough to last until we can replace it. That will occur this summer, when we're also scheduled to renovate another of the bathrooms at NPC. Never a dull moment!

In other news, details of TMI's new program offerings will be revealed soon in a special announcement (watch for it!), but to give you an idea of the excitement engendered by the recent Lucid Dreaming Intensive designed and conducted by Luigi Sciambarella and Thomas Hasenberger, participants said: "Brilliant approach...congratulations!...one of the best programs I have attended at TMI! ... ingeniously took us very deep and into some profound activities, while keeping a light mood."

We'd like to thank all of you who have so generously donated to TMI. You are actively engaged in taking the Institute to its next level. Since the beginning of the year, your contributions have so far supported the SAM research project at Northwestern and been applied towards the rewiring of the NPC. We will update you on the results of the SAM study when the project is complete, and will let you know when the Center's rewiring project has been accomplished. Stay tuned!

And on a final note, I love being back at the Institute. It has been an amazing voyage so far, even as it demands a prodigious amount of multi-tasking—as well as maintaining a strong focus on our vision for the future. Both personally and professionally, I deeply appreciate your support and your help as we all work to accomplish TMI's mission and respond to Bob's incitement, "Get it out there!"

With warmest wishes.

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